



2013 SUGARCANE FESTIVAL 4-H LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE MARKET HOG CONTEST

It is time to make plans for this year's Market Hog Show. This project is during the months of June through September. Rules for the contest are as follows:

1. This class is open only to 4-H club members from Iberia Parish who were bonafide members enrolled in the Iberia 4-H Program by December 1, 2012 for the 2012-2013 school year and have not finished high school. Youth must have turned nine years old as of January 1 of this year and may not be older than 20 years old. Students must not have past their senior year in high school and must be presently enrolled in school.
2. All contestants must have possession of their pig by the validation. Validation will be conducted at the SugArena Facility on **TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2013 or WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2013 FROM 6:00-8:00 P.M.** so they may be identified for the show. Pigs being fed for this event must be identified and recorded with the 4-H agent by **June 26, 2013.**
3. Animals not identified as stated in rule two above, will not be allowed to show.
4. Gilts to be retained for breeding purposes cannot be shown in this class.
5. A contestant can show only one (1) animal in this class. It may be either a gilt or barrow (castrated male hog). (No Boars)
6. Minimum of **200** pounds and maximum of **275** pounds at the time of show with the inclusion of a 5% tolerance for scale error will be honored. LSU AgCenter agent must be present and serve as weigh-in official.
7. The 45 top placing hogs as selected by the judge will be sold in the sale/auction and must be slaughtered after the sale/auction at designated slaughter facility (which for 2013 is Babineaux's in Breaux Bridge, Elliot's in Morse or Kirk Martin's in Carencro) **Buyers or representatives must notify 4-H agent by conclusion of sale as to their desired slaughter house. If buyer does not designate a slaughter facility; the 4-H office will equally distribute hogs among 3 designated slaughter facilities.** All market hogs selected to be in the sale must be sold to the highest bidder. If market hog is sold in auction/sale and it dies after sale but before it is slaughtered; and if buyer options to cancel sale because of this death, the 4-H livestock account/fund will pay 4-H member fair market hog price according to the local market. All other hogs not selected by judge to be in sale/auction have choice of which slaughter facility they would like or 4-H member can slaughter their hog at their home. If a hog does not make the sale and the 4-H agent is notified by the conclusion of the sale as to the buyer's desired slaughter house and it is one of the 3 designated slaughter facilities, transportation will be arranged. If not, 4-H exhibitor is responsible for transportation to slaughter facility.
8. Once the judge has selected the top 45 placing hogs, judge will select alternates from the remaining hogs that are in the show ring. The only individuals that shall know the order of the alternates selected shall be the judge, Iberia 4-H Extension agents, and the Iberia County Agent. In the event, that a hog selected within the top 45 becomes terminally ill or dies (or if the 4-H agents deems that an exhibitor becomes ineligible to sell his/her hog), the 4-H agent will notify the exhibitor whose hog was selected as 1st alternate that their hog will replace the ill or dead hog in the sale. In this case, all hogs will move up in

the sale order, except for the 45th hog. The 45th hog will have the option to remain 45th in the sale order or to move up to 44th in the sale order. In the event that the 45th chooses to remain 45th in the sale order, then the alternate hog will receive sale order #44. (Note: all exhibitors whose hogs are in the show ring at the time that alternates are chosen must be on stand-by the day of the sale and have their hogs ready in case they are selected as a replacement hog for the sale order. The 4-H office will notify any alternates that they are eligible for the sale by the start of the sale on Saturday.) In the event that more than one hog selected for the sale is unable to sale in auction (due to illness or death) alternates will be called upon to replace those hogs until no more alternates are available.

9. All market hogs entered for the festival have the option of being exhibited at the Louisiana State Fair in Shreveport. Hog must be shown in Shreveport by same exhibitor who exhibited hog for festival. This is the only show these hogs may attend following the Sugarcane 4-H Livestock Show/Sale. Those hogs that do get exhibited at the State Fair must be slaughtered following the State Fair within five working days of the State Fair market sale. Market hog exhibitors whose animal was sold at the festival must obtain permission from the buyer in order for the hog to attend the State Fair. Market hogs not selected for sale/auction and not going to designated slaughter facilities must be removed from SugArena. This can take place 30 minutes following sale/auction selection and these hogs must be removed by 5:00 p.m. Saturday, September 28th. (Note: No hogs can be removed during the sale.) Market hogs that make the sale and are attending the State Fair must remain at SugArena until conclusion of sale and must be removed by 5:00 p.m. Saturday, September 28th
10. 4-H exhibitors, parents and/or guardian must sign the Reply/Release Statement, which states that the weigh-in facility owner and employees, the LSU AgCenter and its employees, as well as 4-H volunteer helpers from any responsibilities of illness, death or physical injury of any animal during the official weigh-in proceedings.
11. 4-H exhibitors, parents and/or guardians must sign Responsibility and Conduct form for Sugarcane 4-H Livestock Show and Sale.
*The Release Statement and Responsibility and Conduct form **must be** completed and mailed in by **May 8, 2013**.
12. All club members will turn in their records on their animals entered in this class when requested to do so by the 4-H agent.
13. All livestock exhibitors will be charged a **\$10.00** entry fee per animal. Also, exhibitor must turn in a completed 2013-2014 school year 4-H enrollment card with a payment of **\$5** for dues. Entry fees and dues will be collected at the mandatory meeting or can be mailed to the 4-H Office. **Please make checks payable to the Iberia 4-H Foundation and payment must be mailed by MAY 8, 2013.**
14. 4-H members with a hardship situation must mailed in a completed hardship request form to the Iberia 4-H office by **May 8, 2013** so committee may review case and notify 4-H'ers of approval or disapproval.
15. All market hog exhibitors will need proper health papers (from licensed/certified vet) on their market hog that are valid and up-to-date declaring it healthy. This means health papers must have been completed prior to the weigh-in/validation date and animal was declared healthy by a license/certified vet who visually inspected your animal. In the State of Louisiana health papers for 4-H/FFA shows are valid for 60 days; therefore two sets of health papers are required: (a) at the weigh-in in June and (b) at the show in

September.

16. **NEW:** All 4-H members who want to show a market hog in the 2013 Sugarcane 4-H Livestock Show and Sale must attend a mandatory meeting or complete the online course in which all rules and regulations for this event will be covered. Only one meeting will be scheduled and 4-H'ers will be forwarded details. At least one parent or legal guardian must also attend. If the exhibitor elects to take the online course instead of attending the meeting, it must be completed by **MAY 7, 2013** and forms must be postmarked by **MAY 8, 2013**. If you are unable to attend the meeting or do not have access to the online course, you will be allowed to take the online course at the 4-H Office. 4-H member and parents must schedule with the 4-H office prior to **MAY 8, 2013** and complete proper paperwork. If 4-H member does not complete the course by the appropriate date or fails to attend the meeting, which is scheduled for **MAY 8, 2013**, they **WILL NOT** be eligible to show a market hog at this year's festival.
17. In order to be eligible to validate a market hog to show in the 2013 Sugarcane Festival Livestock Show and Sale, all forms (enrollment card, reply/release statement, responsibility and conduct and hardship) and payment **must be postmarked no later than MAY 8, 2013. No forms or payment will be accepted at validation and there will be no exceptions!** Forms and payment can be mailed to the Iberia 4-H Office, Courthouse Bldg., Suite B-110, 300 Iberia St., New Iberia, LA 70560.
18. In the event that the market hog that was properly validated becomes terminally ill or dies, 4-H member must contact the 4-H office to receive permission to replace animal. This must take place within 30 days after validation. Failure to notify the 4-H office within 30 days after validation or if above occurs after 30 days, the exhibitor will not be able to replace said animal.
19. The current year's LSU AgCenter State Livestock Show rule book/catalog will be used as a guide for all other rules in relation to this contest.

If you are interested in showing a market hog for the festival, fill out the appropriate forms and mail them along with your payment to the Iberia 4-H office by **MAY 8, 2013**. If you **DO NOT** fill out the forms and mail it in, we will assume you are not showing.

If you have any questions, please call us at 369-4440. Looking forward to working with you with this project.

Sincerely,

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